

## REQUEST FOR RECALCULATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT IN VIEW OF *WYETH*\*

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PATENTEE HEREBY REQUESTS RECALCULATION OF THE PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT (PTA) UNDER 35 USC 154(b) INDICATED ON THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED PATENT. THE PATENTEE'S SOLE BASIS FOR REQUESTING THE RECALCULATION IS THE USPTO'S PRE-*WYETH* INTERPRETATION OF 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(A).

Note: This form is only for requesting a recalculation of PTA for patents issued before March 2, 2010, if the sole basis for requesting the recalculation is the USPTO's pre-*Wyeth* interpretation of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(A). See Instruction Sheet on page 2 for more information.

Patentees are reminded that to preserve the right to review in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia of the USPTO's patent term adjustment determination, a patentee must ensure that he or she also takes the steps required under 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(3) and (b)(4) and 37 CFR 1.705 in a timely manner.

\**Wyeth v. Kappos*, No. 2009-1120 (Fed. Cir., Jan. 7, 2010).

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**Note:** Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required in accordance with 37 CFR 1.33 and 11.18. Please see 37 CFR 1.4(d) for the form of the signature. If necessary, submit multiple forms for more than one signature, see below\*.



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The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. **SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.**

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REQUEST FOR RECALCULATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT  
IN VIEW OF *WYETH*\***  
(Not to be Submitted to the USPTO)

**This form is only for requesting a recalculation of PTA for patents issued before March 2, 2010, if the sole basis for requesting the recalculation is the USPTO's pre-*Wyeth* interpretation of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(A).**

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Patentees who received a decision from the USPTO under the USPTO's pre-*Wyeth* interpretation of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(A) may file a request for reconsideration of that decision if such a request for reconsideration is filed within **two months** of the date of the decision (37 CFR 1.181(f)). If the patentee's sole basis for requesting reconsideration of the decision is the USPTO's pre-*Wyeth* interpretation of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(A), the request for reconsideration need only state that reconsideration is being requested in view of *Wyeth* (this form may be used for this purpose if it is filed within **two months** of the date of the decision from the USPTO).

**Do not use this form if the application has been allowed, but not yet issued as a patent.**

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For more information, see "Notice Concerning Calculation of the Patent Term Adjustment With Respect to the Overlapping Delay Provision of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(2)(A)" available on the USPTO Web site at <http://www.uspto.gov/patents/law/notices/2010.jsp>.

\**Wyeth v. Kappos*, No. 2009-1120 (Fed. Cir., Jan. 7, 2010).

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